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Deputies' Meeting

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Wednesday, 7 January 1953

PRESENT: General Smith, Messrs. Dulles, Wisner, Wolf, Becker, Hedden, [redacted]

General Smith:

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the facts in this case.

b. Referred to a cable to the Senior Representative, [redacted] and stated that the wording of this message should have been stronger in order to indicate that we would take care of [redacted] in the event he lost his U.S. citizenship as a result of accepting the position of [redacted]

[redacted] The Director went on to say that it was imperative that (1) we get someone in a top [redacted] (3) a "record" of such assurance should be made and retained on file for "future reference". DD/P undertook to follow up the above-cited cable with another message indicating the Director's extreme interest and wishes in this matter.

c. Stated that we should follow up with [redacted] on an informal basis our previous discussions with him regarding [redacted]

d. Stated that [redacted] USA Ret., who was an old China hand, had indicated he was now available to accept a position with CIA. DD/P noted he was aware of this and was looking into the matter of a possible spot for him.

Mr. Dulles:

a. Noted an article in today's WASHINGTON POST concerning [redacted] and, after some discussion, the DCI directed that we purchase one of these gadgets and have TSS "make a better one".

b. Noted that the General Counsel had prepared a draft of a current resolution on setting up a Congressional Committee to investigate CIA. After some discussion, the Director stated that (1) this matter should receive careful

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Mr. Dulles (Cont'd.)

consideration; (2) we should obtain the views of Senators Fulbright and Saltonstall; (3) the term "national intelligence" as now appears in the proposed resolution should not be used; (4) such a proposal should not go forward at this time, however, we should have "something" prepared in the event it was needed. After some further discussion, Mr. Hedden undertook to furnish comments on the above draft resolution.

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c. Noted that he was not at all satisfied with the treatment we had received from the Army in connection with the [REDACTED] affair and that he had prepared a report on this which was now in the hands of DD/P. The Director stated that after discussing this problem with Admiral Overesch during his forthcoming visit and if he concurred it might be well to make a report to General Bradley -- "not in anger but in sorrow" -- pointing out the facts in this case from our point of view. Messrs. Dulles and Wisner undertook to follow through on this.

Mr. Wolf reported that the National Security Medal had been concurred in by the Bureau of the Budget and forwarded to the President for final approval. The Director noted a memorandum he had received from General Counsel indicating that the third Purple Heart awarded had been for "espionage service" and stated that (1) for historical significance the award of the National Security Medal should be tied in with the award of the Purple Heart mentioned above; (2) in fact, the National Security Medal might be patterned after the original Purple Heart (honorary badge of distinction) and bear the following inscription on the reverse side taken from the citation of the Purple Heart awarded for espionage: "It hath ever been an established maxim in the American Service that the Road to Glory was open to all".

Mr. Wisner:

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a. Reported that [REDACTED] had returned [REDACTED] and suggested that he see the DCI. The Director indicated he would.

b. Noted the third item in today's Log and suggested that DD/I furnish a set of questions which could be used to try out the [REDACTED] offer of assistance [REDACTED] Mr. Becker undertook to follow through on this.

Mr. Hedden:

a. Reported that he had been advised by Mr. Corcoran that CATI's debt to us in the amount of [REDACTED] in the next two or three weeks. The Director noted that he was interested in furnishing the Department of Defense their proportionate share and his last agreement with Secretary Foster was that we would split the loss on this operation with the Department of Defense.

b. Noted the fourth item in today's Log concerning a visit to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and recommended that our Senior Representatives

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Mr. Hedden (Cont'd.)

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Mr. Becker:

a. Raised the question of a briefing for Gen. Eisenhower on Friday, 9 January, and noted that [redacted] had been asked by the Secretariat in the Commodore whether an appointment should be reserved for such a briefing. After some discussion, it was agreed that someone should be prepared to present a briefing on [redacted] if requested; however, [redacted] would advise the appropriate individual at the Commodore that we had nothing pressing at this time.

b. Requested and received the approval of the Director to use Rear [redacted] USN Ret., as a consultant.

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